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Cattle on Feed Weather Summary

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CATTLE ON FEED

NEW MEXICO: Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in New Mexico feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 136,000 on January 1, 2007. This compares to 137,000 head on December 1, 2006. Placements increased by 1,000 head from November 2006 to a total of 15,000 head in December. Marketings were down by 1,000 head to 15,000. Other disappearance decreased by 1,000 head to a total of 1,000.

UNITED STATES: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 12.0 million head on January 1, 2007. The inventory was 1 percent above January 1, 2006 and 6 percent above January 1, 2005. This is the highest January 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. The inventory included 7.57 million steers and steer calves, up slightly from the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.30 million head, up 4 percent from January 1, 2006. Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.71 million, 9 percent below 2005 and 7 percent below 2004. Net placements were 1.63 million. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 470,000, 600-699 pounds were 504,000, 700-799 pounds were 420,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 320,000. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.63 million, 5 percent below 2005 and 9 percent below 2004. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of December since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 88,000 during December, 3 percent below 2005 and 4 percent below 2004.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ^{1/}

	Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed			Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+			Capacity: Records					
	Number on Feed			Placed			Marketed			Other Disappearance ^{2/}		
	1/1/06	12/1/06	1/1/07	-----DURING-----								
12/05				11/06	12/06	12/05	11/06	12/06	12/05	11/06	12/06	
AZ	334	341	334	35	30	26	27	29	31	2	2	2
CA	550	540	550	69	69	77	60	55	63	9	4	4
CO	1,080	1,120	1,100	155	*145	135	140	*145	150	5	10	5
ID	275	270	260	48	43	39	50	56	41	3	2	8
IA	510	500	520	65	82	82	53	70	59	2	2	3
KS	2,500	2,550	2,540	495	405	410	435	385	390	30	20	30
NE	2,430	2,510	2,540	350	460	390	305	380	350	15	10	10
NM	143	137	136	20	14	15	13	16	15	1	2	1
OK	370	350	350	64	50	46	57	57	42	2	3	4
SD	205	210	225	46	56	50	28	35	32	3	1	3
TX	2,920	2,900	2,870	465	435	370	470	500	385	15	25	15
WA	152	185	184	26	31	24	34	26	24	1	1	1
Oth Sts	335	360	365	46	64	50	43	43	43	3	1	2
US	11,804	11,973	11,974	1,884	*1,88	1,714	1,715	*1,797	1,625	91	83	88

^{1/} Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ^{2/} Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

WEATHER SUMMARY

The week began with a storm system over southern New Mexico. This system parked over northern Mexico for a few days before exiting to the northeast, producing some light precipitation, mainly over the south. Animas (.63") and Ruidoso (.54") both measured over half an inch of moisture. Temperatures for the week were normal to slightly below normal in the north, and generally a few degrees below normal in the south.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - JANUARY 22 - 28, 2007

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	01/22 01/28	01/01 01/28	Normal Jan.	01/01 01/28	Normal Jan-Jan
Farmington	25.8	46	6	0.00	0.33	0.59	0.33	0.59
Gallup	24.9	47	1	0.02	0.52	0.80	0.52	0.80
Capulin	21.3	46	0	0.03	0.69	0.40	0.69	0.40
Chama	22.7	49	-8	0.00	1.69	1.77	1.69	1.77
Johnson Ranch	23.0	51	-2	0.00	0.33	0.67	0.33	0.67
Las Vegas	25.9	42	5	0.00	0.27	0.60	0.27	0.60
Los Alamos	26.3	43	9	0.07	0.83	0.86	0.83	0.86
Raton	27.1	48	5	0.00	0.26	0.47	0.26	0.47
Red River	19.1	44	-9	0.00	1.75	1.07	1.75	1.07
Santa Fe	25.6	44	6	0.07	0.37	0.63	0.37	0.63
Clayton	31.2	50	13	0.00	0.34	0.24	0.34	0.24
Clovis	30.7	48	13	0.00	1.10	0.39	1.10	0.39
Roy	29.7	48	10	0.00	0.36	0.34	0.36	0.34
Tucumcari	31.8	55	10	0.00	0.89	0.28	0.89	0.28
Grants	23.8	46	1	0.02	0.79	0.49	0.79	0.49
Quemado	26.2	48	-9	0.00	1.30	0.83	1.30	0.83
Albuquerque	34.6	50	20	0.00	0.06	0.44	0.06	0.44
Carrizozo	33.4	54	13	0.33	0.66	0.60	0.66	0.60
Socorro	34.8	54	18	0.08	0.25	0.39	0.25	0.39
Gran Quivera	30.8	48	8	0.01	0.04	0.70	0.04	0.70
Moriarty	16.9	40	-7	0.19	0.74	0.43	0.74	0.43
Ruidoso	25.7	47	2	0.54	2.39	1.12	2.39	1.12
Carlsbad	36.9	52	27	0.19	0.80	0.35	0.80	0.35
Roswell	30.8	49	12	0.02	1.46	0.43	1.46	0.43
Tatum	30.4	50	15	0.01	1.01	0.39	1.01	0.39
Alamogordo	37.6	51	24	0.19	0.77	0.67	0.77	0.67
Animas	33.6	56	13	0.63	1.06	0.68	1.06	0.68
Deming	37.2	58	19	0.39	1.03	0.56	1.03	0.56
Las Cruces	39.1	57	24	0.32	1.18	0.46	1.18	0.46
T or C	35.4	52	18	0.42	0.83	0.46	0.83	0.46

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.